

5710-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators McCaslin, Kline, Thibaudeau, Costa, Johnson, Hargrove, Rasmussen, Hale and Shin)

Brief Description: Amending the equal access to justice act.

SB 5710-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that, when an agency has made an offer to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process, the appellant must participate in good faith or be precluded from applying for an award of attorneys' fees or expenses pursuant to RCW 4.84.340 through 4.84.360, and this act.

Provides that, despite the provisions of RCW 4.84.350, no fees or other expenses shall be awarded against an administrative tribunal for actions taken solely as an adjudicative body.